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~~And whereas the said King James the first~~

~~did give them by his sacred Majesty by the~~

~~State and Government of any acts of Parliament~~

~~(others) the following articles on the~~

~~English Parliament in~~

~~of our Sovereign Lord the King; And where di-~~

~~vers of the Roman Religion, have in all parts of~~

~~this Kingdom since the said year last~~

~~injuriously and unlawfully~~

~~the Church of Rome (which in fun-~~

~~damental points is Antichristian)~~

~~hath of late years extraordinarily over-~~

~~spread this Kingdom, and hath the more increased~~

~~by the forbearing to put in execution the whole~~

~~some Laws and Statutes of force in this King-~~

~~dom against Recusants and others of the Roman~~

~~Religion; who have of late time more than for-~~

~~merly extremely swarmed in this Kingdom. And~~

~~whereas it evidently appears, that the said Anti-~~

~~christian and heretical religion, and the not put-~~

~~ting of the said Laws in execution, hath as the~~

~~fruits and effects thereof produced a general con-~~

~~federacie of the Papists in this Kingdom to de-~~

~~stroy and extirpe the Protestant Religion, and all~~

~~English, Irish and Scottish in this Kingdom pro-~~

felling the same, wherein they have actually pro-
 ceeded to execrable cruelties (without any provo-
 cation given them by his sacred Majestic, by the
 State and Government, or any acts of Protestants
 or any others) the intending utterly to cast off the
 English government and most royall Authoritie
 of our Sovereign Lord the King; And where di-
 vers of the Romish Religion, have in all parts of
 this Kingdom since the 22th day of October last,
 inhumanely used most bloodie and unheard of
 barbarous actions against the persons as well of
 the Clergy as of most of the Protestant Religion
 within their power, nor onely while life lasted,
 but even after death, digging some of them out
 of their graves, cutting them in pieces, and cast-
 ing them into ditches, defiling of Churches, and
 setting up of the abominable Idoll of the Masse,
 instead of Gods true worship and service, and in
 scornfull and reproachfull manner, trampling un-
 der foot the holy Bible, and disdainfully burning
 it, and have by their said crueltie already destroyed
 many thousand Protestants, and of those that re-
 main and escaped their fury, most of them have
 been enforced to flie into *England*, or *Scotland* for
 relief, or to beg the charite of well-disposed peo-
 ple here.

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10 The said Lords and Commons duely considering the premises, and the great dishonour done to his Maiestie, to the English Nation, and indeed to all his Maiesties Kingdoms by the said most wicked rebellion, plotted and enacted by ritular Bishops, Abbots, Iesuites, Priars, Priests, Monks, and others of the Romish Religion; do humbly expresse their detestation thereof, and their humble desire of a through Reformation of Religion may be had in this Kingdom to the glory of God, and the honour of his sacred Maiestie; and to that end humbly pray, that present and effectuall course may be taken for putting in execution the Lawes and Statutes of force in this Kingdom against Recusants and all others of the Popish pretended Religion in all parts of this Kingdom, where the Lawes do or may runne; and for suppressing the usurped power & iurisdiction of the See of Rome, and particularly in the Citie of Dublin, which is now the Citie of refuge for most of the distressed and dispoiled Protestants of this Kingdom, who yet are not without iust fears of imminent dangers by reason of the multitude of Popish Inhabitants; and they do pray that it may be given in charge to all his Maiesties Offices whom it may concern, faithfully and without delay to proceed

therein, and that monthly Sessions be holden for
 that purpose in the said City of Dublin, to enquire
 of That Bills may be forthwith manifested into
 England containing all such Laws as are now in
 force against all Heretics, Priests, Friars, Monks,
 and others superstitious Orders and Societies of
 the Popish pretended Clergie, and their Rectors,
 and against Recusants and other Papists to be en-
 acted in this Kingdom, more to the glory of
 And such further Lawes as are or shall be need-
 full in that behalf, and that such necessarie ex-
 penses and provisions may be therein made as may
 be agreeable with the continuacion of this King-
 dom, and may give hopesfull and comfortable
 assurance to your suppliants and their posterity,
 and to all other of the Protestant Religion, who
 are, or shall be in this Kingdom.

That it may not be in the power of any Go-
 vernor or Governours of this Kingdom to suspend,
 inhibite, or connive at the execution of the said
 Laws, or any of them. And to this end that your
 Lordships who are intrusted by his Majestie
 with the Government of this Kingdom, and must
 one day give an account thereof before the tri-
 bunall of Gods Iustice, will give present order for
 performing your suppliants requests herein ex-
 pressed.

pressed. And although since this most tedious
and bloodie rebellion begun we have had some
succours out of England, which we ascribe to the
great mercie of God, in the great wisdom and
pictie of his sacred Maiestie, and in the carefull
and chargeable endeavours of the Parliament and
Kingdom of England, which his Maiesties grace
and goodness, we with this dutie and duty of
faithfull Subjects, do most humble and thank-
fully acknowledge to his royall Maiestie, and do
also render to his Parliament of England their
thanks for their said care and endeavour for us:
yet we find with inward sorrow and grief of
heart, that for want of such powerfull and speedy
succours of men, money, victuall, clothes, arms,
and ammunition, and other requisites of Warre
~~necessary to be sent hither out of England this year~~
for Gods cause, and the cause of his servants in
this Kingdom, hath hitherto had but a slow pro-
ceeding. They therefore most humbly beseech
your Lordships to represent to his sacred Maiesty
their humble desires and supplications, that it
~~may please his Maiesty to send hither~~
effectuall and speedie course may be taken by his
Maiesties high wisdom, and the care of the Par-
liament, for halting these needfull succours which
the

the said Lords and Commons humbly conceive
have been hitherto regarded, longer they doubt
and fear can well consist with the safety of this
his ancient rightfull Crowne and Kingdom, and
so by the high wisdom and great goodwille of his
Majestie, our great grief and sorrows converted
into ioy and gladnesse, Gods true Religion may
be the more firmly established, his Majestie in
wisdom and power magnified, his good subjects
comforted, and his enemies and the enemies of
Gods truth disappointed.

And they shall pray, &c.

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